

Study of Regional Climate Change

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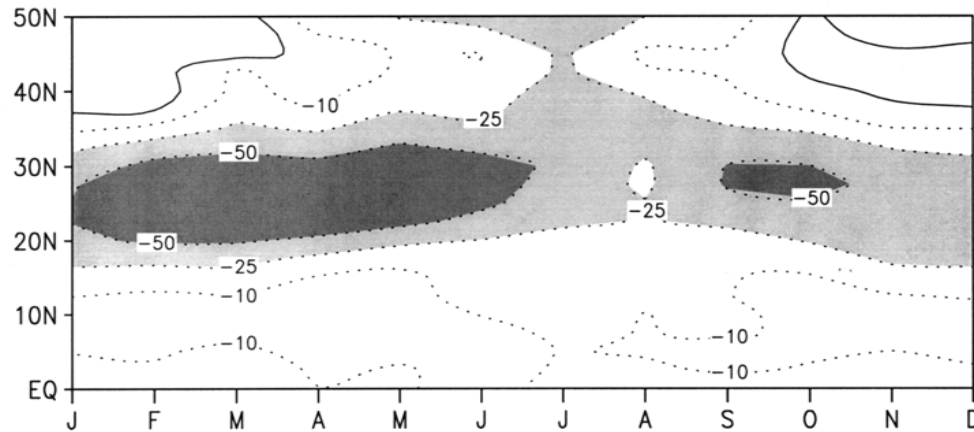
- ❑ To diagnose and improve global and regional GCMs for simulating observed *regional* climate characteristics, and for studying *regional* climate changes caused by anthropogenic activities (greenhouse gases, aerosols, ozone).
- ❑ Focused **Regions** (climate features): East Asia (summer monsoon); and Northeastern United States (winter cold surges)

Topical Studies

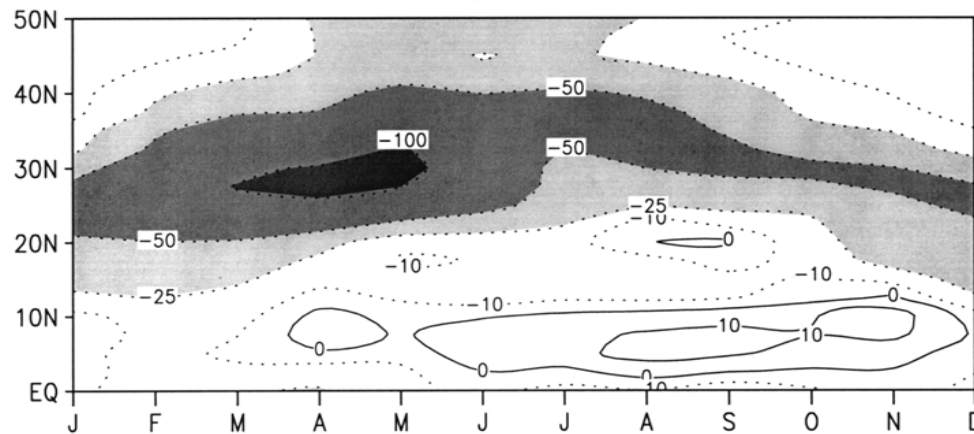
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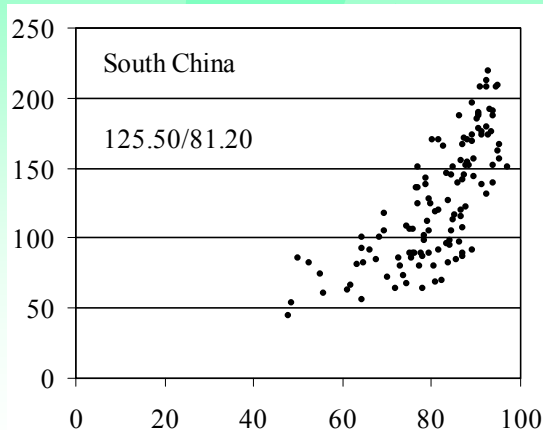
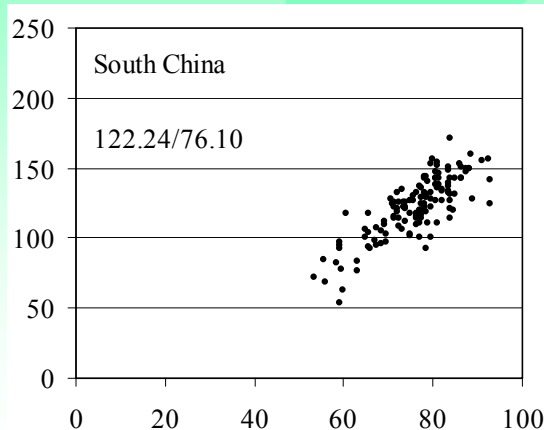
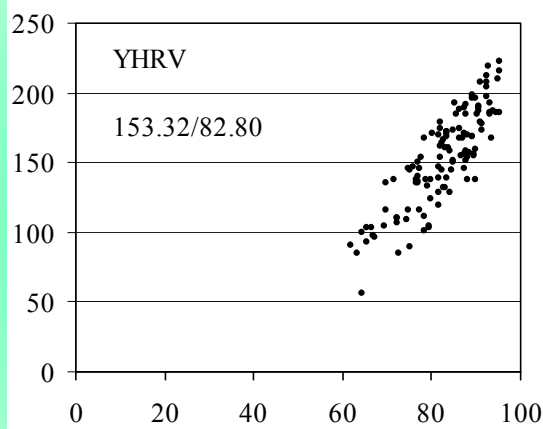
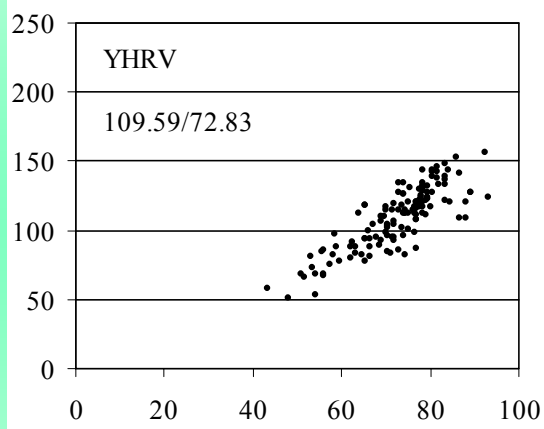
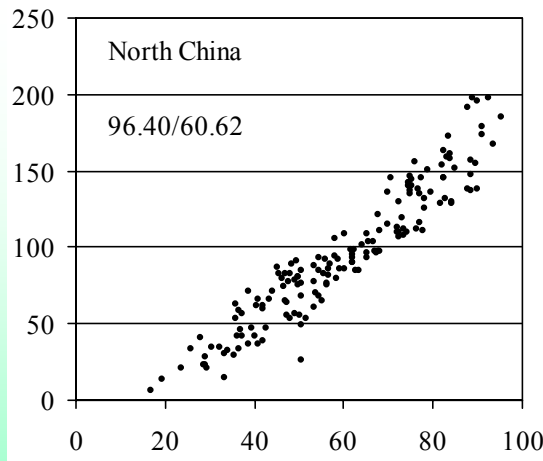
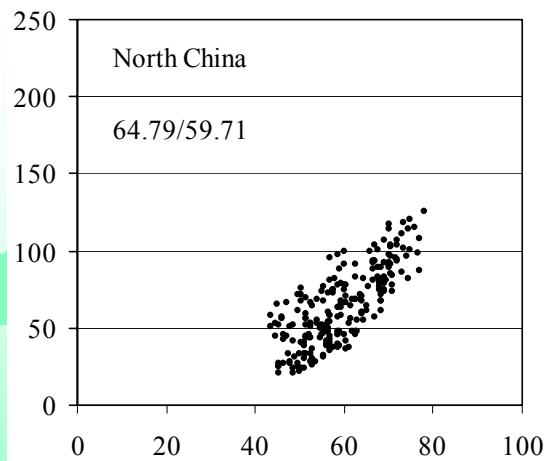
1985-1989 mean annual cycle of net (longwave & shortwave) cloud radiative forcing (Wm^{-2}) over 105-122° E

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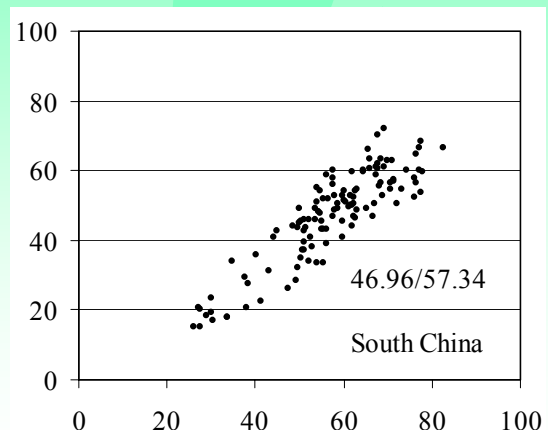
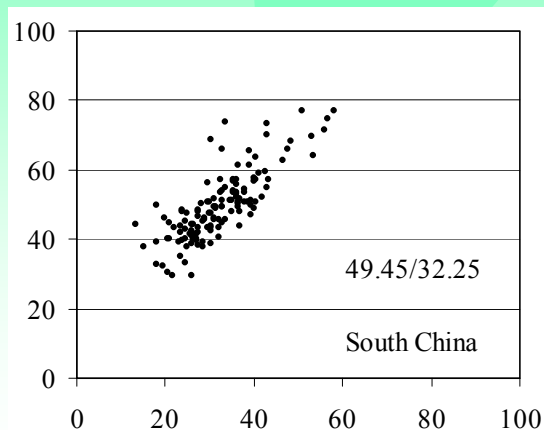
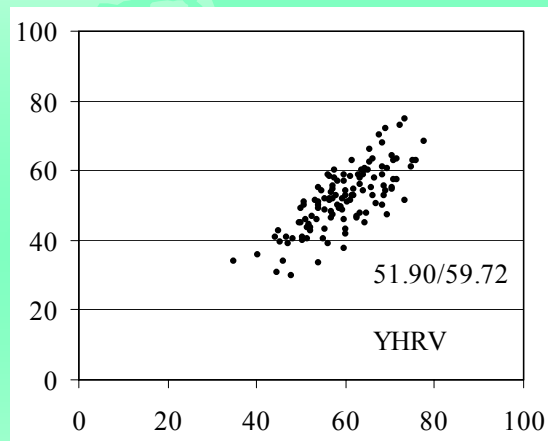
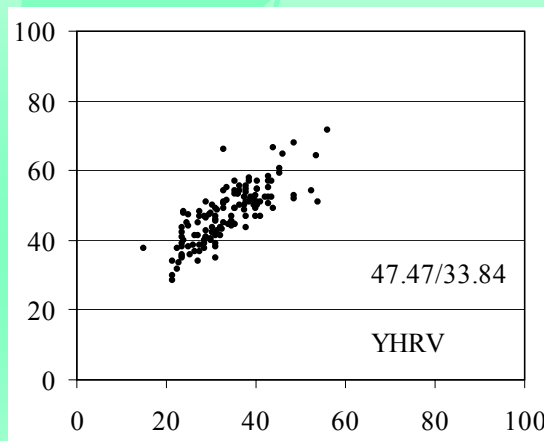
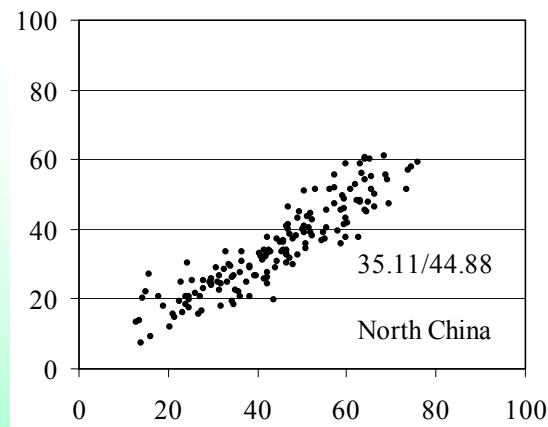
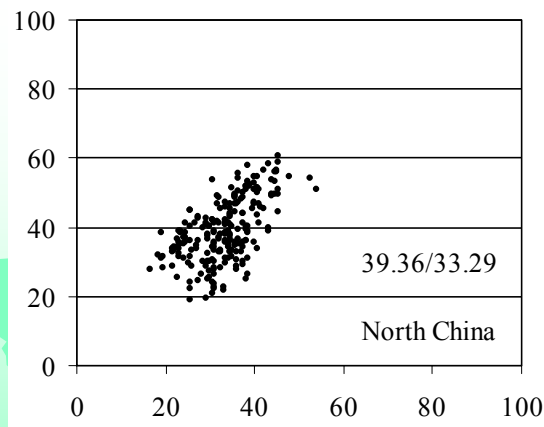


SUNYA-
CCM3





Shortwave cloud radiative forcing (Wm^{-2} ; y-axis) versus *total cloudiness* (%) for observations (left panels) and SUNYA-CCM3 simulations (right panels).



Longwave cloud radiative forcing (Wm^{-2} ; y-axis) versus *high cloudiness* (%) for observations (left panels) and SUNYA-CCM3 simulations (right panels).

Historical Climate Reconstruction in China

- ◆ Collaboration between the **Atmospheric Sciences Research Center**, State University of New York at Albany and the **Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources Research**, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- ◆ , Chinese Academy of Sciences
 - Documentation
 - Analysis of Proxy Data
 - *GCM-Proxy Data Comparison*

500 Years of East Asian Monsoon Variability: A Test of Model Simulations with Paleoclimate Data

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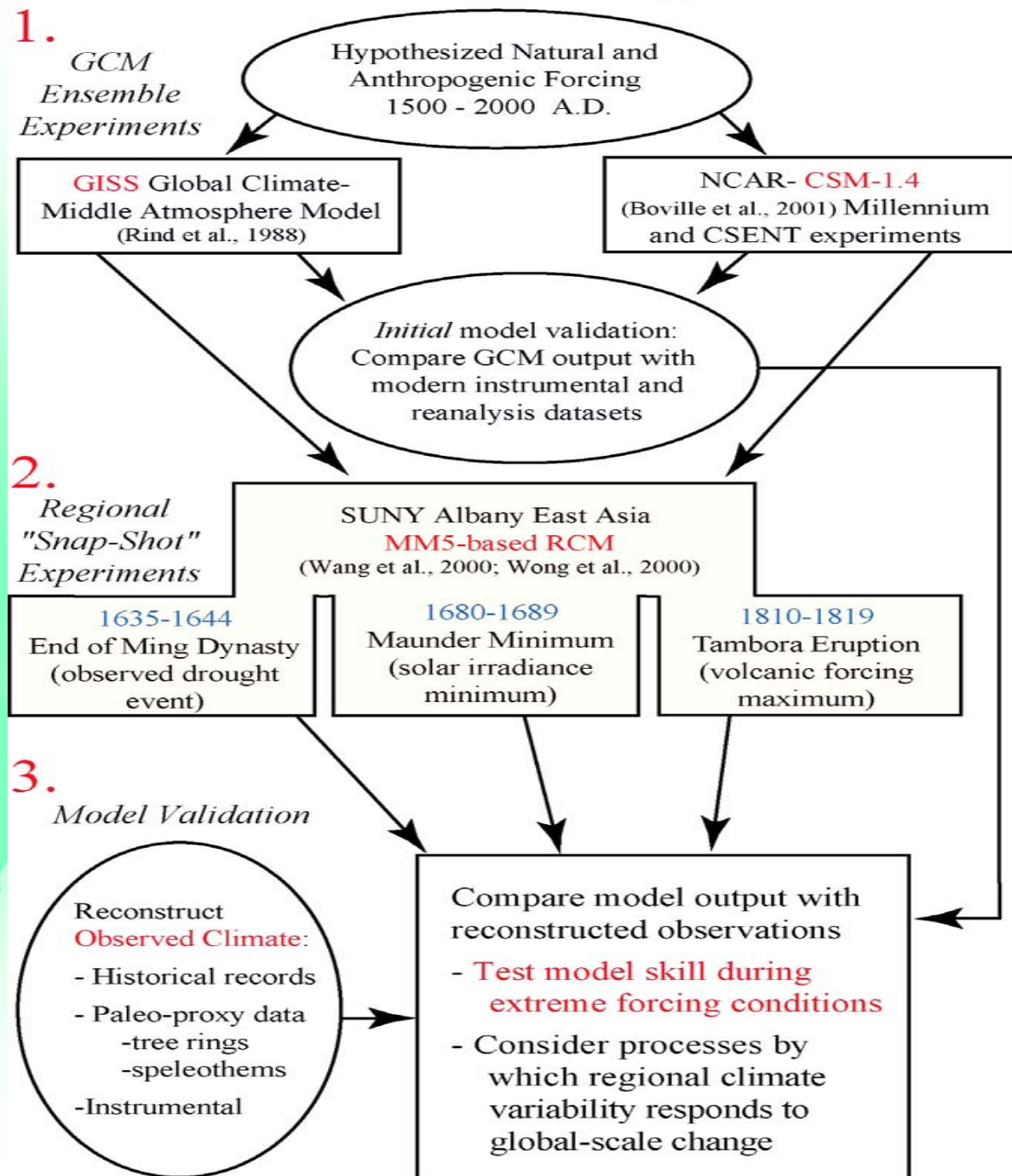
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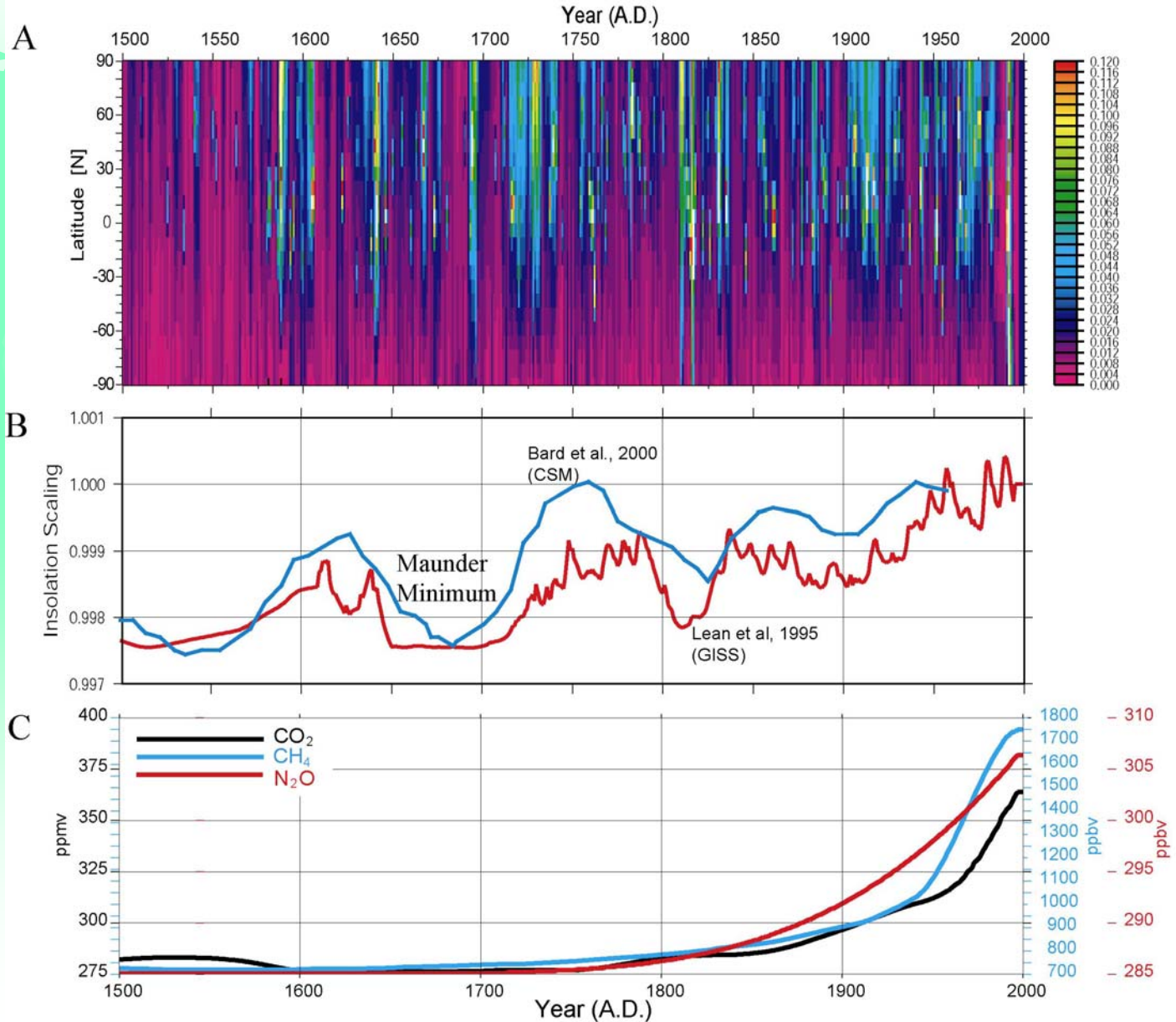
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Research Strategy

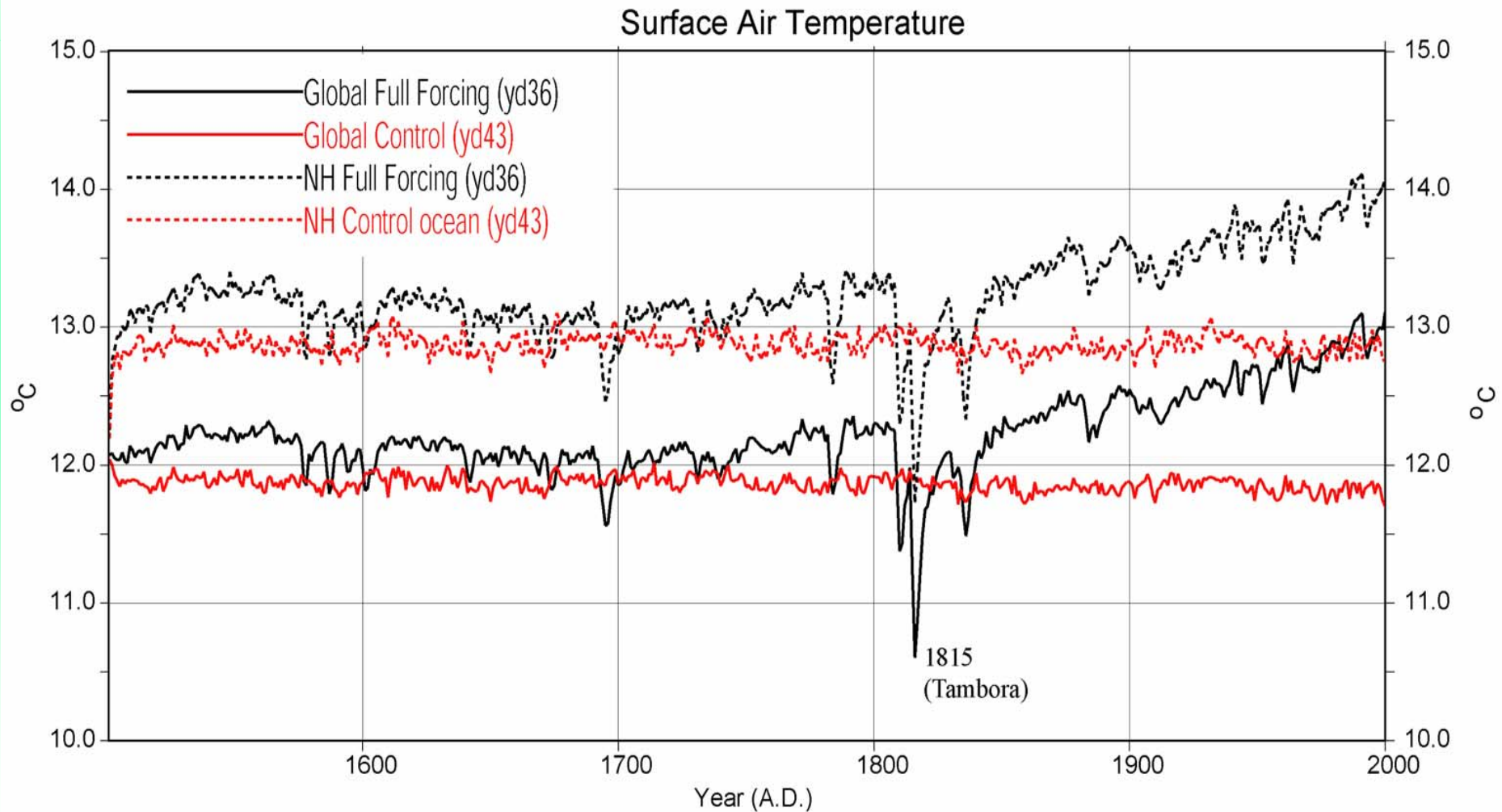


Natural and Anthropogenic Forcing

Optical Thickness of Volcanic Stratospheric Aerosols

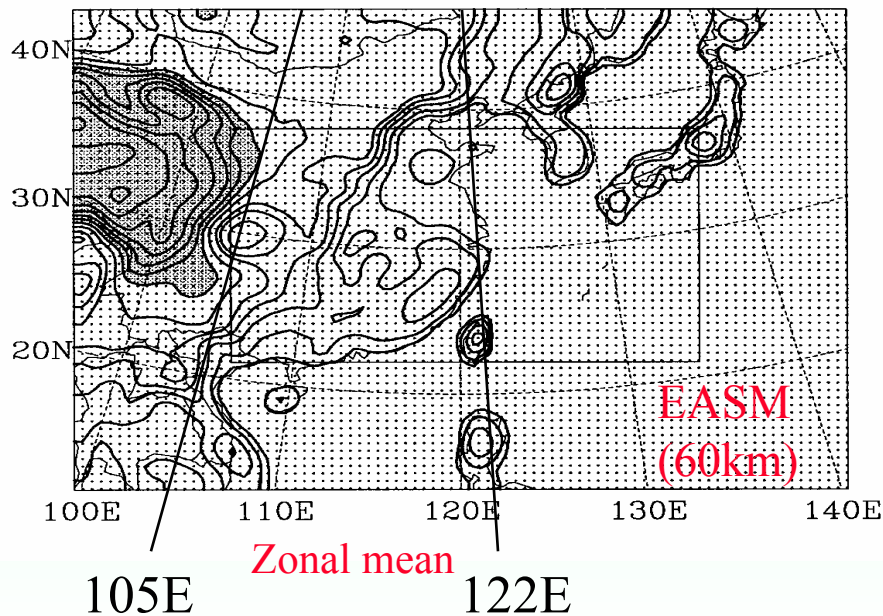


GISS GCM Global and Northern Hemisphere Temperature (forced and control experiments)

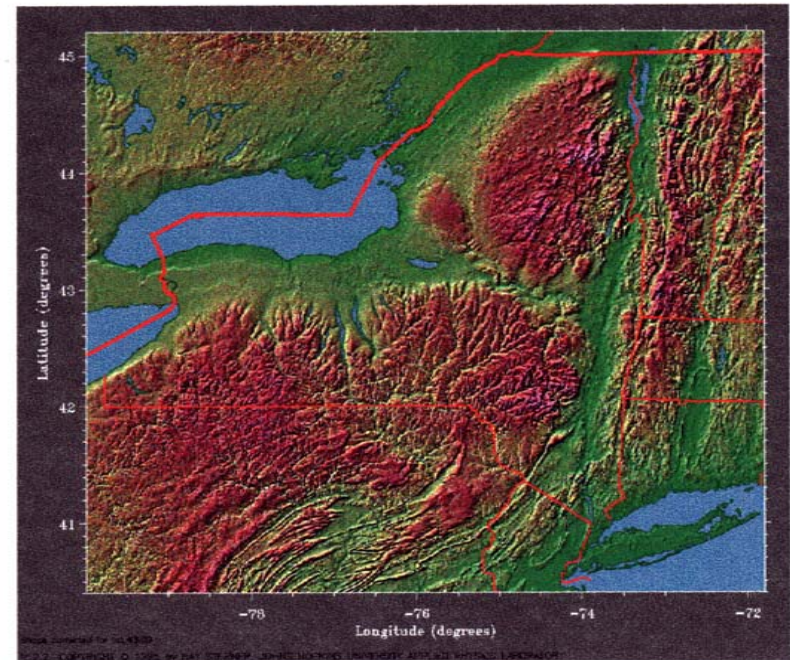
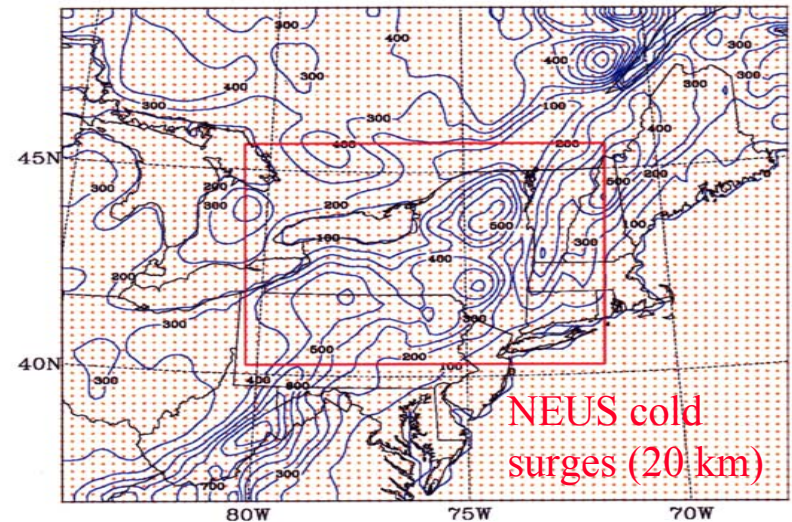


SUNYA-Regional Climate Model

- ◆ 85×65 grid points; 23- σ level; 10 mb top; 18 layer lateral buffer zone driven by ECMWF
- ◆ Grell et al. (1996) cumulus convection scheme
- ◆ Reisner et al. (1998, option 3) for microphysics
- ◆ CCM3 radiation package (Kiehl et al., 1996); cloud water diagnostic scheme of CCM3 (Kiehl, 1998); Diagnostic cloud cover scheme of Liang and Wang (1995)
- ◆ Xue (1996) land surface model with Mellor-Yamada PBL
- ◆ *Prognostic schemes for cloud water/cover; microphysics*



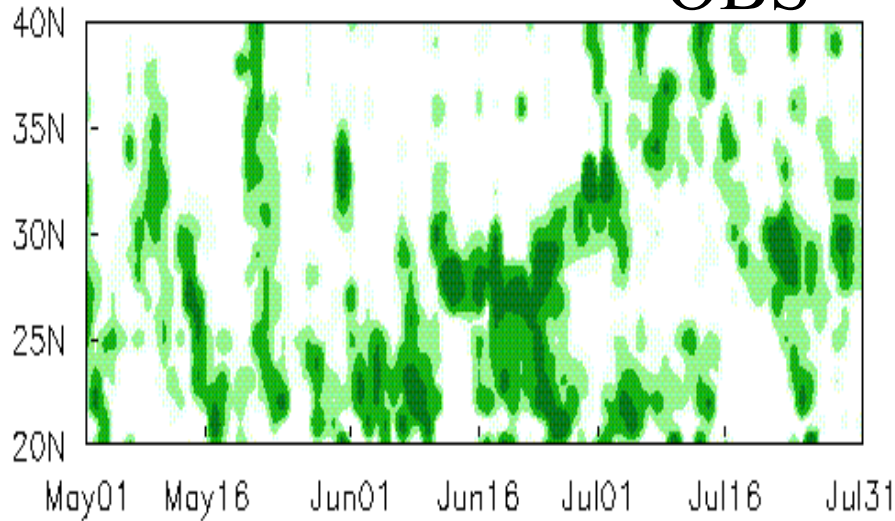
Model Domain (Red Box) and Buffer Zone
Terrain Height (m) and Grid Point Locations



Latitudinal-time distribution of precipitation

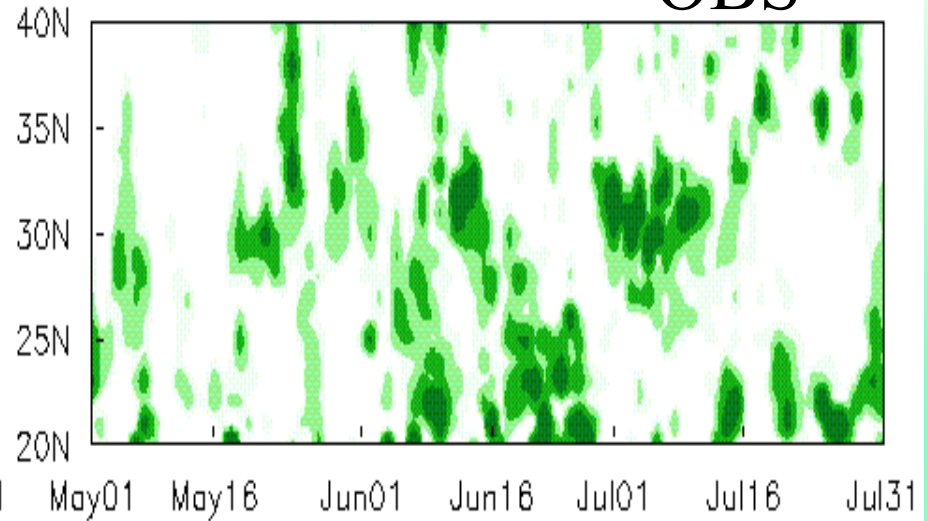
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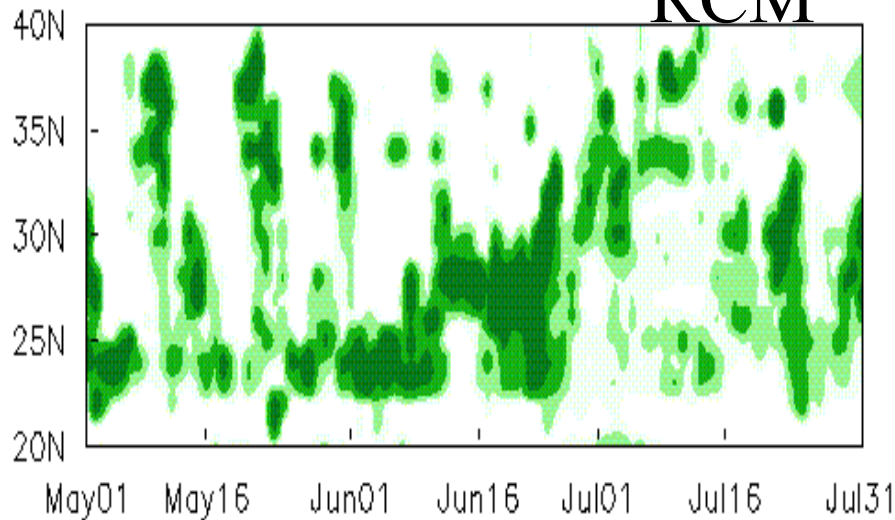


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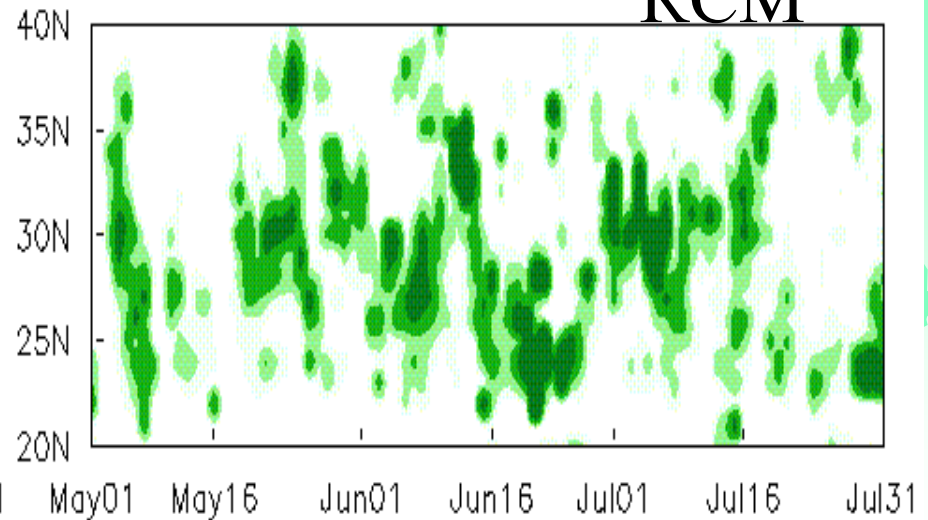
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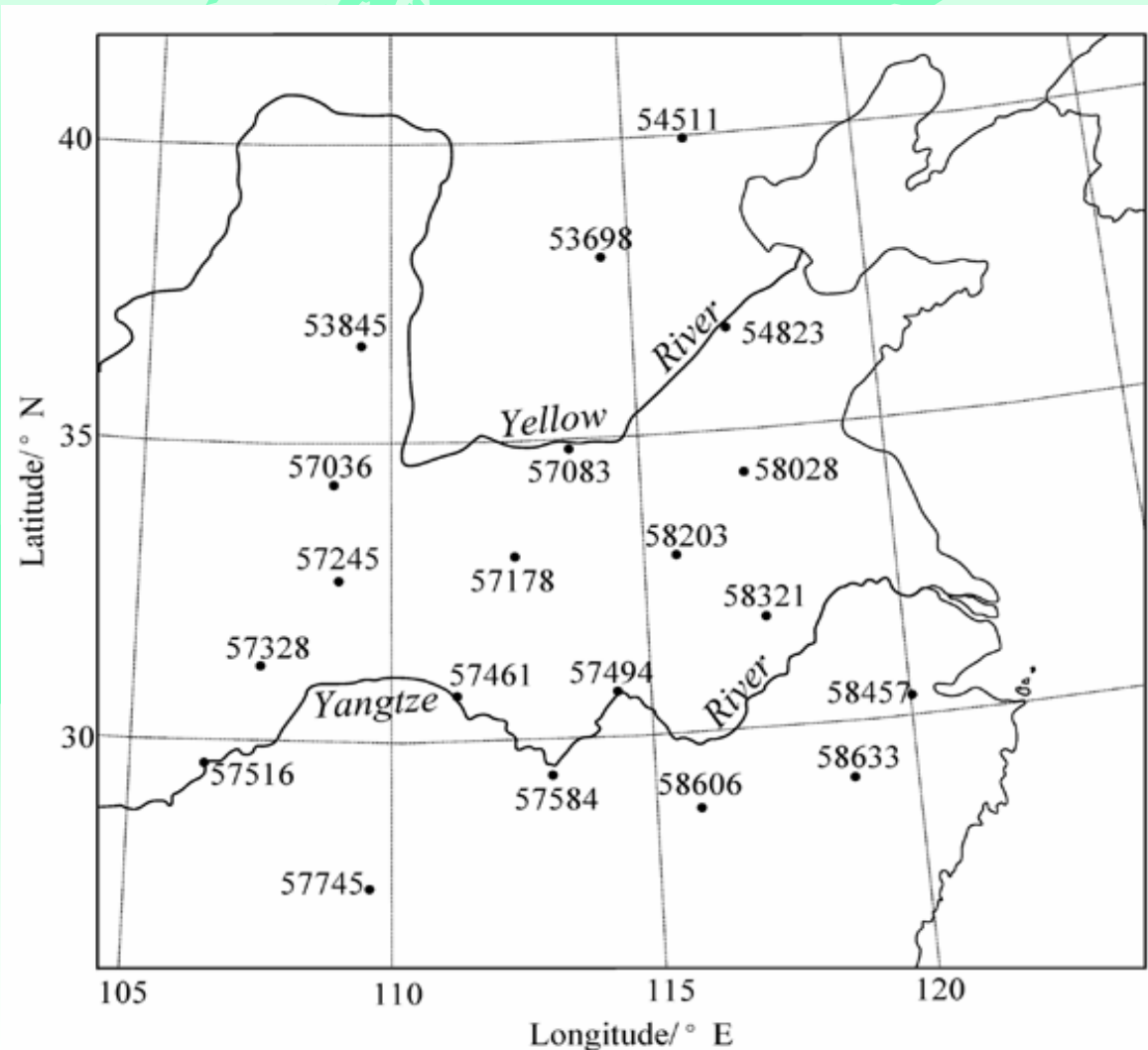


Historical Climate Reconstruction in China:

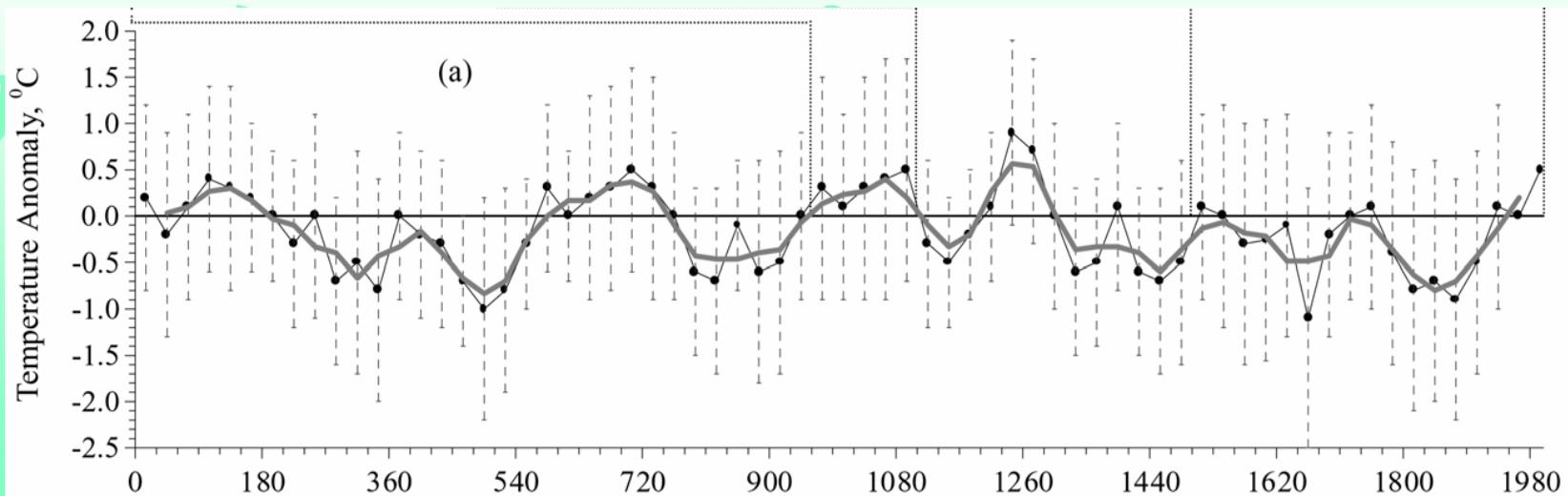
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The **phenological cold/warm events** recorded in the Chinese historical documents to reconstruct, in 10-30 years resolution, the **winter half-year (October-April) temperature of the past 2000 years** for the central region (25-40°N and east of 105°E) of Eastern China.

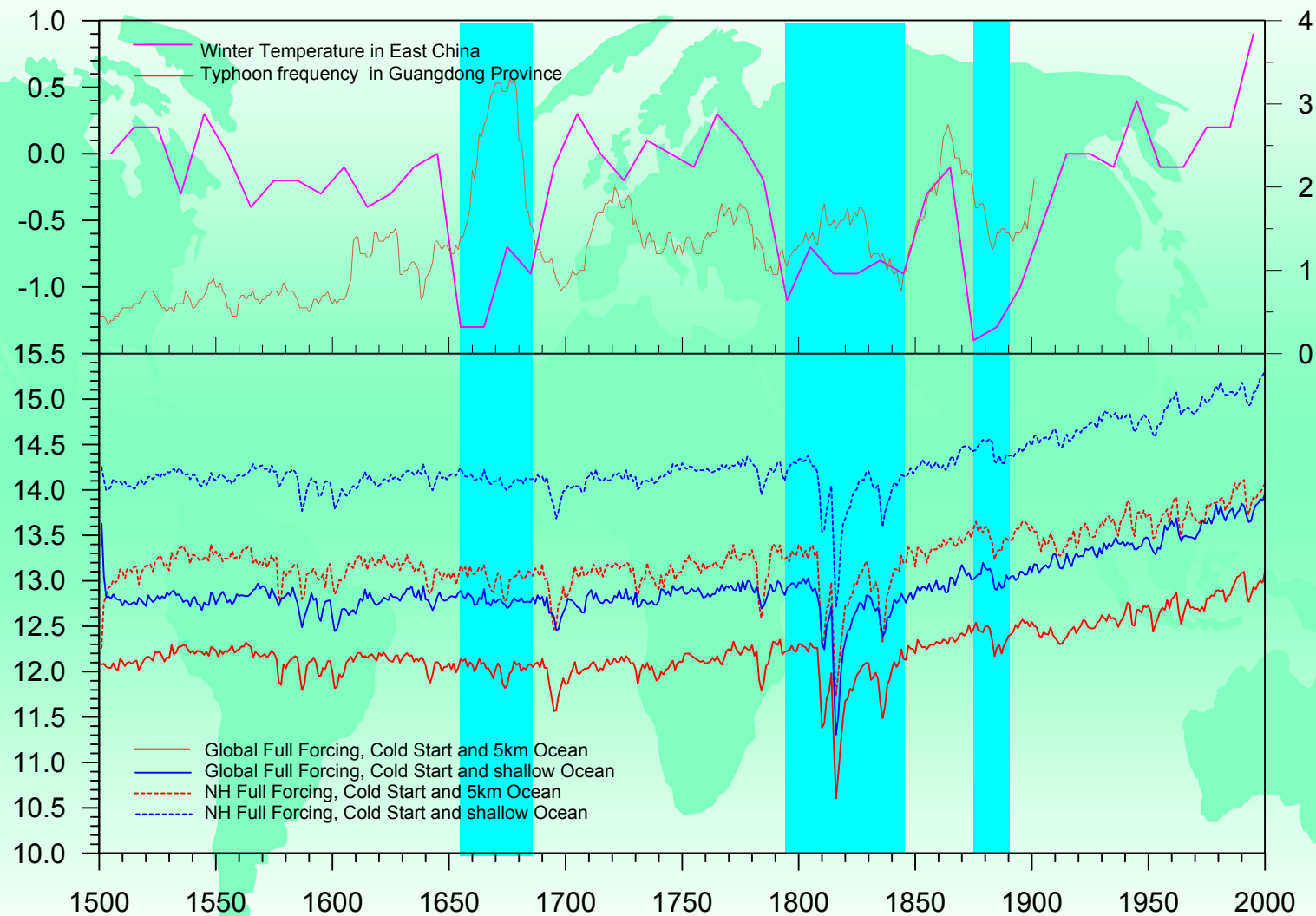
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Winter-half-year temperature anomaly (vs. 1951-1980) in Central Eastern China in the past 2000 years

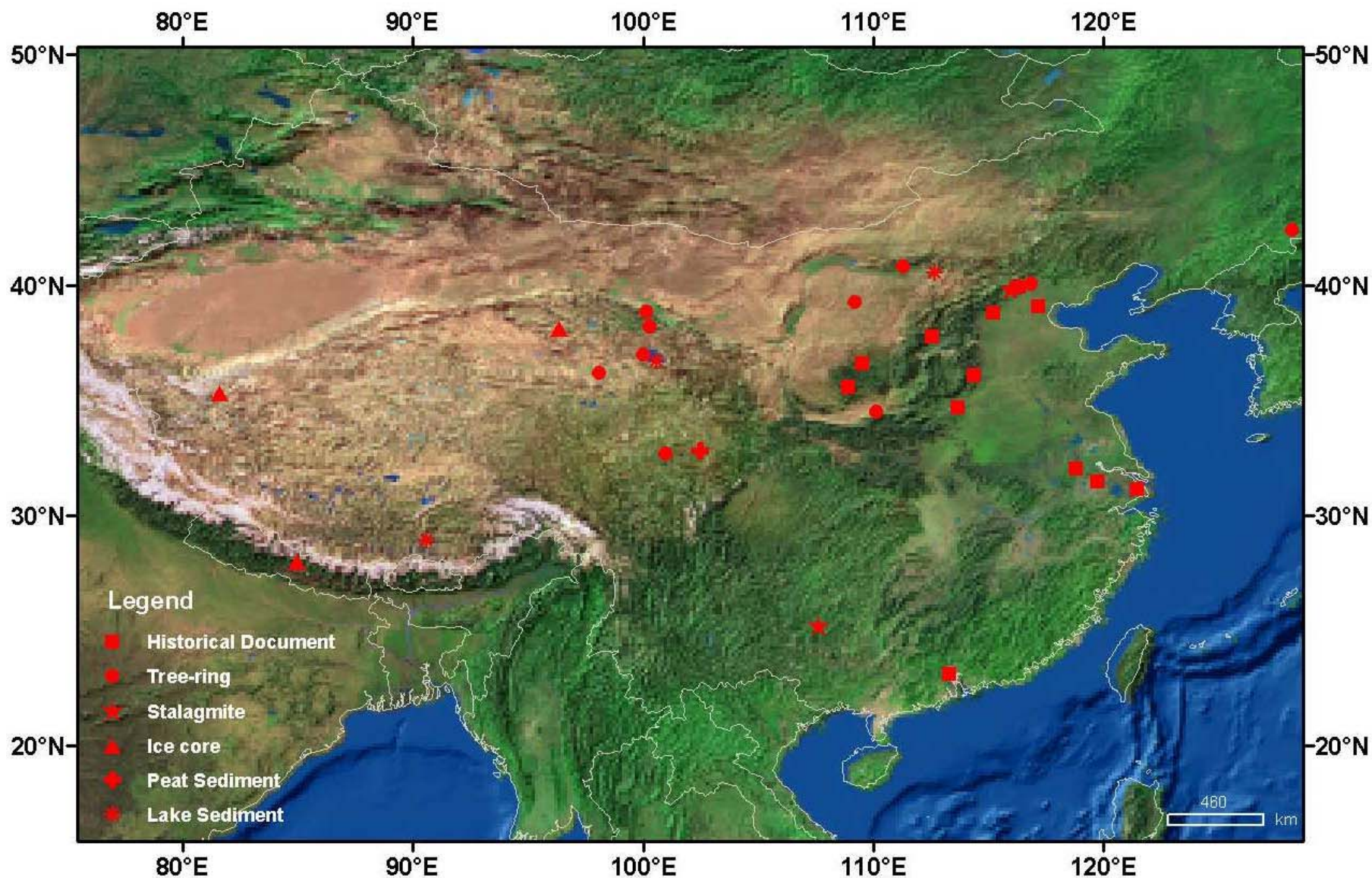


- ❑ **1-550 (Cold Epoch)** [cooling at $0.17^{\circ}\text{C}/100\text{a}$; ~490s reached the lowest level, about 1°C].
- ❑ **550-1300 (Warm Epoch)** [temperature rose slowly in fluctuation with a rate of $0.04^{\circ}\text{C}/100\text{a}$. The 30-year mean temperatures of two warm peaks were generally $0.3\text{-}0.6^{\circ}\text{C}$ higher while a maximum warming of 0.9°C occurred during 1260s-1280s; two cold troughs with $0.5\text{-}0.7^{\circ}\text{C}$ lower]
- ❑ **1300-1900 (Cold Epoch)** [Cooling at $0.10^{\circ}\text{C}/100\text{a}$; the coldest of the four cold troughs, 1.1°C .]
- ❑ **1900-2000 (Warm)** [For the period 1981-1999, warmer by 0.5°C .]

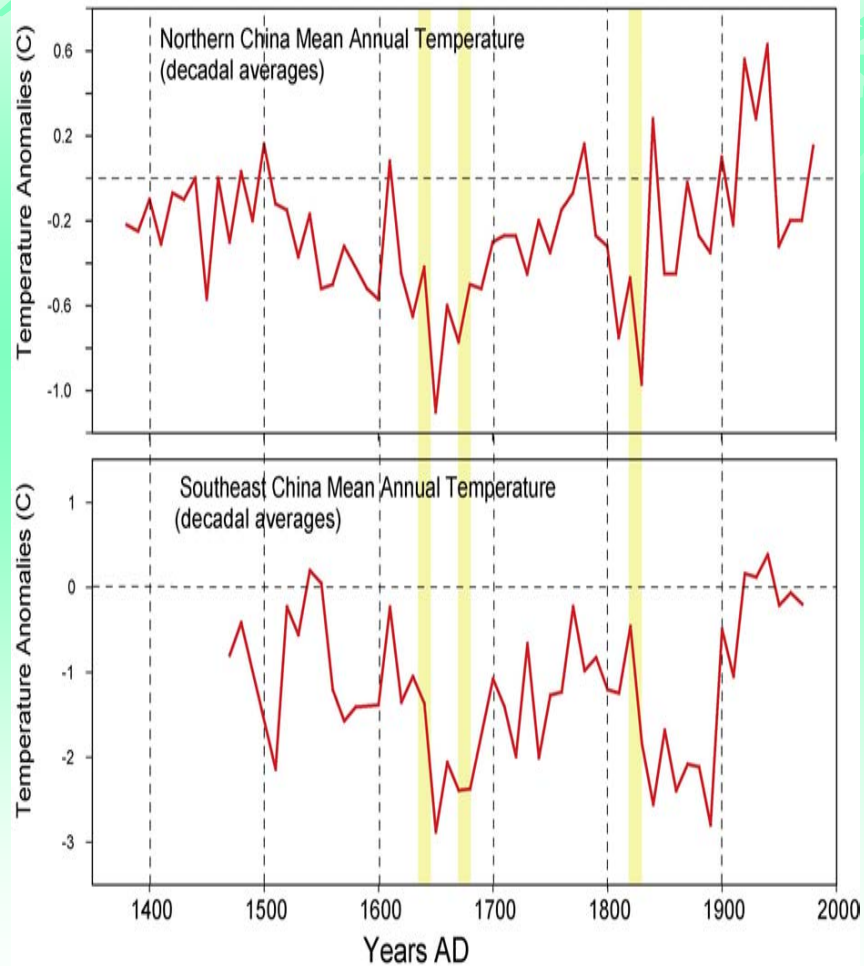


A Paleoclimatic Database Compiled from Proxy Data

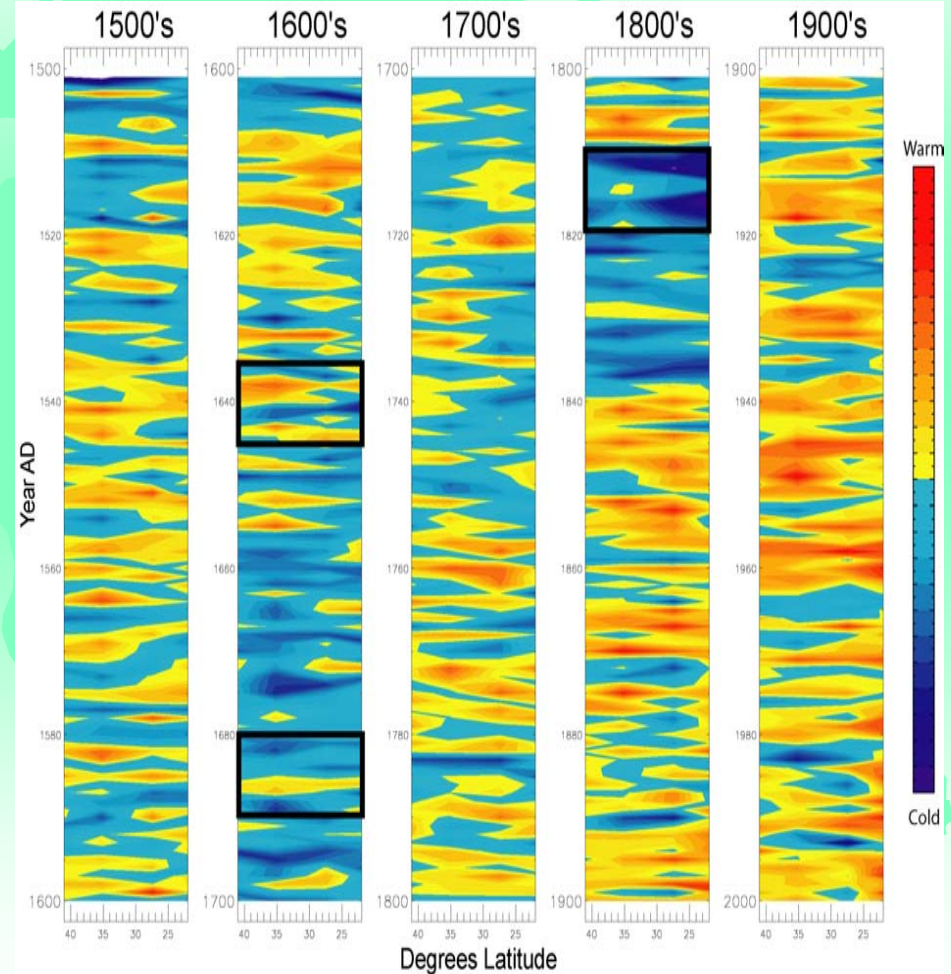
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			Lat. N	Long. E	Ele.(m)			Length	Start	End		
1	Beijing	Beijing	39°56'	116°17'	54	P.	Historical D.	277	1724	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
2	Tianjin	Tianjing	39°06'	117°10'	3	P.	Historical D.	275	1736	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
3	Baoding	Hebei	38°50'	115°34'	17	P.	Historical D.	275	1736	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
4	Taiyuan	Shanxi	37°47'	112°33'	778	P.	Historical D.	275	1736	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
5	Zhengzhou	Henan	34°43'	113°39'	110	P.	Historical D.	275	1736	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
6	Kaifeng	Henan	36°36'	109°30'	100	P.	Historical D.	275	1736	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
7	Nanyang	Henan	36°07'	114°22'	76	P.	Historical D.	275	1736	2000	Annual	Zhang & Wang, 1996
8	Yangtze River Delta	Jiangsu	32°03'	118°47'	9	WT	Historical D.	500	1500	2000	Annual	Zhang et al., 1981
9	East China	Jiangsu, Shang	31°10'	121°26'	5	T.	Historical D.	550	1450	2000	Annual	Wang et al., 1990
10	Taihu	Jiangsu	31°30'	119°42'	10	WT	Historical D.	500	1500	2000	Annual	Chen, 1992
11	Hefei	Anhui	35°35'	108°55'	1200	WT	Historical D.	264	1737	2000	Annual	Ge et al., in press
12	Pearl River Delta	Guangdong	23°08'	113°19'	7	T.	Historical D.	510	1488	1997	Annual	Li & Zeng, 1998
13	Hulanshan	Ningxia	39°15'	106°10'	2450	ST	Tree-ring	108	1890	1997	Annual	Liu et al., 2002
14	Dulan	Qinghai	36°12'	98°06'	3200	T.	Tree-ring	1600	400	2000	Annual	Yao et al., 2001
14	Huangling	Shanxi	35°35'	108°55'	1200	ST	Tree-ring	100	1891	1990	Annual	Liu et al., 1997
15	Antu	Jilin	42°24'	128°8'	1500	P.	Tree-ring	201	1789	1989	Annual	Liu et al., 1997
16	Daqingshan	Inter Mongolia	40°48'	111°18'	1300	P.	Tree-ring	376	1620	1996	Annual	Liu & Ma, 1999
17	Wulan	Gansu	37°00'	100°00'	3600	T.	Tree-ring	823	1163	1985	Annual	Zu, 1987
18	Qilinshan	Gansu	38°51'	100°08'	3500	SM	Tree-ring	682	1310	1991	Annual	Zhang and Wu, 1995
19	Qilinshan	Gansu	38°12'	100°18'	3400	T.	Tree-ring	572	1414	1985	Annual	Zu, 1987
20	Huashan	Shanxi	34°30'	110°06'	2060	P.	Tree-ring	389	1600	1988	Annual	Hughes et al., 1994
21	Baima	Qinghai	32°42'	101°00'	3400	SP	Tree-ring	265	1723	1987	Annual	Xu & Zhou, 2000
22	Yishan	Shandong	40°03'	116°50'	10	SM	Tree-ring	243	1750	1992	Annual	Shen & Zhang, 1998
23	Shihua Cave	Beijing	39°47'	115°56'	251	ST	stalagmite	2650	665BC	1985	Annual	Tan et al., 2003
24	Guilin	Guangxi	25°12'	107°36'	500	T.	stalagmite	466	1530	1995	Decades	Tan et al., 2000
25	Guliya	Tibet	35°17'	81°39'	6710	T.	Ice core	>2000	?	1991	Annual	Yao & Qin, 1996
26	Dunde	Gansu	38°06'	96°24'	5325	T.	Ice core	>2000	?	1985	Annual	Thompson et al., 1989
27	Dasuopu	Tibet	28°00'	85°00'	6900	T.	Ice core	>2000	?	1996	Annual	Yao et al., 2002
28	Hongyuan	Sichuan	32°46'	102°30'	3466	T.	Peat	>2000	BC	1950	Decades	Xu et al., 2002
29	Daihai Lake	Inter Mongolia	40°33'	112°39'	220	T.	Lake S.	1000	?	1990	Decades	Cao et al., 2000
30	Qinghai Lake	Qinghai	36°42'	100°33'	3200	T.	Lake S.	1000	1000	2000	Decades	Shen et al., 2002
31	Chen Co	Tibet	28°57'	90°36'	4438	T.	Lake S.	1300	700	2000	Decades	Zhu et al., 2001



Historical Reconstructed Temperature

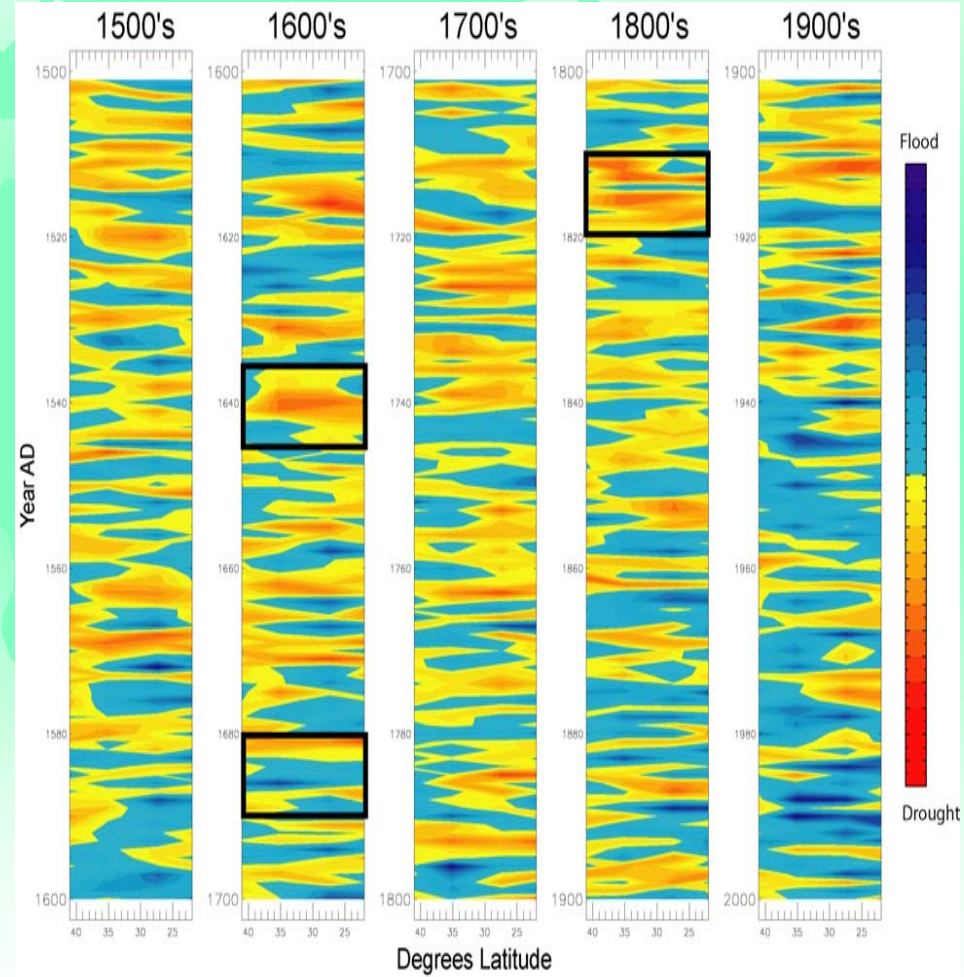
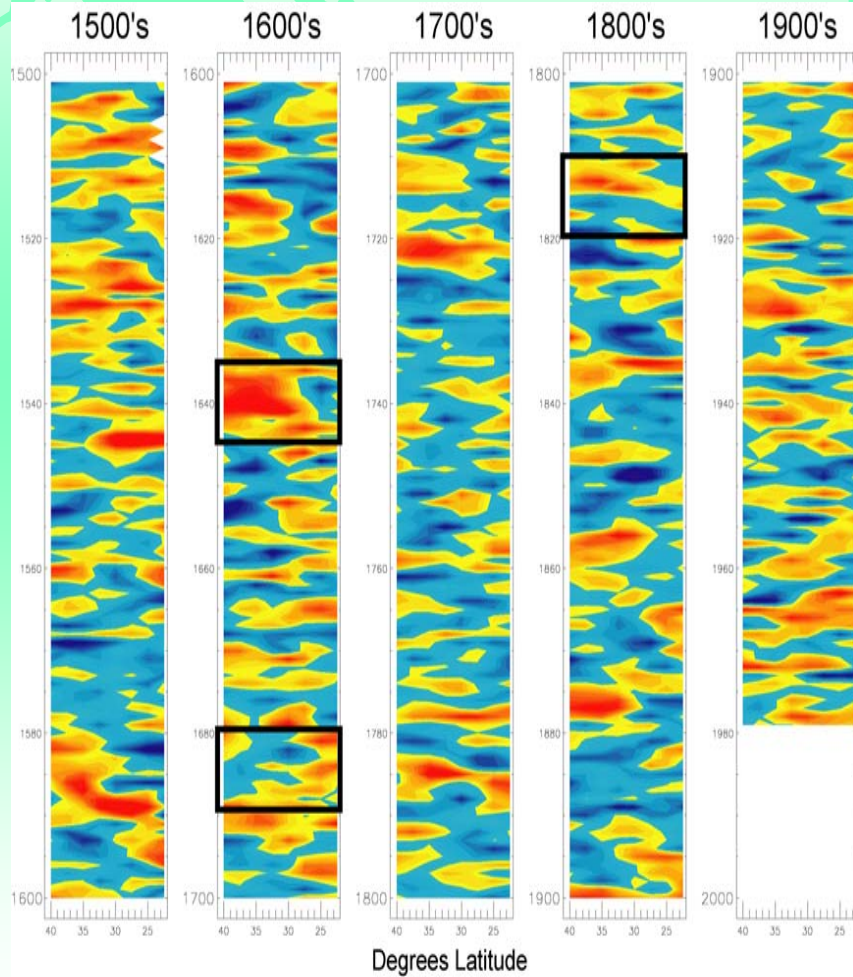


GISS Modeled Temperature



Historical Dryness/ Wetness Index

GISS Modeled Precipitation



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